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GHI to Hold Town Meeting On Major Home Upgrades

by Tom Jones

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) is hosting a town hall meeting at 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 23 in the Community Center gym. The agenda is entirely devoted to a planned major upgrade for all 1,600 GHI homes in 2015 and a pilot project already underway to prepare for that upgrade. All GHI members are encouraged to attend.

The 2015 upgrade will replace heating systems, windows and doors for all residences within the cooperative. In preparation, a multi-year pilot program has already begun in which 28 volunteer homes will be upgraded and scientifically measured to identify those improvements providing the greatest comfort and cost-effective reduction of utility bills.

Unlike typical home improvement projects, the pilot program will also identify unforeseen problems and costs. In 2015, the membership will begin the full

upgrade with cost estimates and lessons learned from the initial effort. GHI has set aside approximately \$10 million for the upgrade but will not know the full cost until the pilot program is complete in 2014.

Members attending Sunday's town hall meeting should bring their questions, concerns and ideas about the upgrade and pilot program. During the opening 20 minutes volunteers will collect these issues on note cards and identify the top 10. Brief presentations will be made by members of GHI's buildings committee and by Joe Wiehagen from the National Association of Home Builders Research Center.

Speakers will then address the top 10 issues suggested by members and, finally, the floor will be opened for individual questions. Each member attending will be eligible for one of four door prizes – \$50 vouchers to be applied to an upcoming Pepco bill.

Cut Paper, Aesop Tales Are Artful Afternoon Features

The next Artful Afternoon, to be held on Sunday, February 6 from 1 to 4 p.m., will feature free hands-on cut-paper art projects, classic stories and sculpture at the Greenbelt Community Center.

From 1 to 3 p.m. there will be a paper doll and outfit-making workshop with Artist-in-residence Sherill Anne Gross. Gross is a cut-paper illustrator whose artwork can be seen in her Community Center studio. She will have an exhibit at Artspace in Herndon, Va., from January 31 to February 27.

Gallery Exhibit

“Where You Are: Sculpture and Assemblage by Lat Naylor” is on display in the Community Center Art Gallery. Naylor is a Baltimore native, educated and experienced in urban planning and fashion design.

For nearly 10 years he owned, operated and designed Lat Naylor Think Tank, a clothing company based in San Francisco. His fashion work has been featured in Italian Vogue, The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, Women's Wear Daily and other publications. In 1998 Naylor closed his company to focus on

fine art. His work for this exhibition includes elegantly austere, delicate sculptures constructed of salvaged wood.

Aesop's Fables

At 3 p.m., Children's Theater Workshop will present a variety of Aesop's Fables, from the famous “The Boy Who Cried Wolf” to the lesser-known but hilarious “The Bee Family.” The show is appropriate for all ages.

Immediately preceding the performance, a drawing will be held for three tickets to “The Song of Mulan” presented by Theatre IV, two tickets to see Anton Chekhov's “The Seagull” at the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center and two tickets to

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The Tortoise and the Hare, one of Aesop's Fables to be presented by the Children's Theater Association at the Greenbelt Artful Afternoon on February 6.

Beltway Plaza Site Plan Is Barely Approved by County Planning Board

by Thomas X. White

After two continuances, the controversial Conceptual Site Plan (CSP) and associated Rezoning Request submitted by GB Mall Limited Partnership (Beltway Plaza Management) were heard by the Prince George's County Planning Board at its meeting on January 13 at the County Administration Building in Upper Marlboro. Although the Planning Board's agenda began at 10 a.m. that Thursday morning, the Greenbelt item was not brought up until after 6:30 that evening.

Up for consideration was the request to rezone 15.4 acres at the rear of Beltway Plaza from the C-S-C zone (Commercial Shopping Center) to the M-U-I (Mixed Use Infill) zone. Proposed is a mixed-use-development of 700 multifamily dwelling units (midrise) and 22,000 square feet of commercial/restaurant space. Also considered was the Conceptual Site Plan.

At the outset of the hearing by Park and Planning, technical staff referred to the proposal as “Greenbelt Place at Beltway Plaza.” At time of submittal it was called Greenbelt Town Center at Beltway Plaza. (See August 5, 2010, issue for details on the proposed development.)

Only four Planning Board members were present for the item, Chairman, Samuel J. Parker; Vice Chairman, Sylvester Vaughns; Jesse Clark; and Sarah A. Cavitt. The fifth member, Colonel John H. Squire, was absent.

Representing Beltway Plaza Management were Attorney Lawrence Taub, Marc (“Kap”) Kapistan and Fred Wine. Attending for the City of Greenbelt were Mayor Judith Davis, Councilmember Rodney Roberts, City Planning Director Celia Craze and Dan Lynch, standing in for City Attorney Robert Manzi.

Technical Staff Report

Henry Zhang of the Park and Planning Technical Staff, responsible for the technical staff report, briefly summarized the staff recommendation that the 15.4 acres of the surface parking lot in the rear of the shopping center be rezoned to the M-U-I zone. If approved by the board, its recommendation is forwarded to the District Council (Prince George's County Council acting on zoning matters for final action).

Zhang noted that the 2001 Approved Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment for the Greenbelt Metro Area had rezoned Beltway Plaza, including the subject site, from the I-1 (Light Industrial) zone to the C-S-C zone and had superimposed a Development District Overlay Zone (DDOZ) on the property. The site also has an approved stormwater management concept plan

valid through April 30, 2013.

Important to the staff recommendation for approval was the 2005 rezoning of the Springhill Lake apartment complex (now Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station) from the R-18 (Multi-family Medium Density Residential) zone to the M-U-I zone. This according to Zhang, provided “justification” for support of the M-U-I zone change for the Beltway Plaza site, adjacent to the Franklin Park property across from Breezewood Drive.

Zhang also recommended approval of the CSP and a Type 1 Tree Conservation Plan. The staff also listed requirements applicable at the detailed site plan stage that partially addressed the City of Greenbelt's concern that the proposed CSP not be approved until an overall comprehensive plan for redevelopment of the entire shopping center has been submitted.

Further Conditions

Other technical staff conditions for approval relate to property lines, payment of fees and parking and traffic control requirements. The city believes these items would have to be accomplished

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Reel and Meal Attendees Help Buy Sports Equipment

by Donna Hoffmester

On Saturday, January 8 kids at Springhill Lake Recreation Center had big smiles on their faces when they saw the new sporting equipment, board games, television and DVD player donated by the Reel and Meal at the New Deal Café, a Greenbelt civic group created to raise awareness about vital environmental and social justice matters.

After viewing a documentary at the Café on December 20 called “What Would Jesus Buy?” and discussing the topic with local ministers Dan Hamlin and Fay Lundin, the audience contributed nearly \$300 to buy needed athletic equipment and games. Modell's Sporting Goods at Greenway Center discounted the purchase of basketballs, double-dutch jump ropes, ping pong balls, basketball goal nets, a sports trivia board game, a large table hockey game and a professional 100-pound heavyweight punching bag with gloves for boys and girls.

Mayor Judith Davis made a surprise appearance and asked organizer Cam MacQueen to explain the day's event. As

she and Councilmember Konrad Herling and other city officials looked on, MacQueen, of Green Vegan Networking, explained, “The donation was part of the Reel and Meal's dream to bring all three parts of Greenbelt together: East, West and Historic Greenbelt into one community by building bridges and getting to know our neighbors. We plan to stay involved with Springhill Lake Recreation Center and hope to start a Teen Empowerment Reel and Meal program in the near future.”

The Reel and Meal conducts its monthly planning meetings at the Springhill Lake Recreation Clubhouse.

The Reel and Meal at the New Deal Café series is made up of four affinity groups including CHEARS (CHesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society), Green Vegan Networking, The Peace & Justice Coalition of Prince George's County and Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group. Free films are shown on the third Monday of every month

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What Goes On

Saturday, January 22

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off, Parking Lot by Municipal Building

9 a.m. to noon, Electronics Recycling, Public Works Yard

Sunday, January 23

2 p.m., Greenbelt Homes Inc.

Energy Town Hall Meeting, Community Center Gym

Monday, January 24

8 p.m., Council Meeting, live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltnmd.gov

Tuesday, January 25

7:30 p.m., GreenACES (Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability), Community Center

Thursday, January 27

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Homes Board Meeting, GHI Board Room

Letters to the Editor

More on Area Transportation

As a follow up to the recent News Review articles on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway expansion, I think it is useful to look beyond arguments of automobiles vs. green space. We have to address the root issues of access to jobs for Greenbelt residents, impacts on local businesses and area-wide transportation needs. Greenbelt and the surrounding communities are, as per our zoning regulations, low density, low rise suburban areas. In areas of this type, automobile traffic is the dominant feeder of the local economy and thus the city and state tax base. This automobile traffic needs to be managed, not blocked or routed to “someone else’s back yard.” An important component of such management is the preservation and enhancement of green space.

I recommend that the Greenbelt city government conduct surveys to determine the commuting and other transportation needs of city residents and businesses. The results of these surveys will then provide a factual basis to support the city’s response to county, state and federal area-wide transportation plans. In formulating these responses we have to be aware that Greenbelt is not a self-sufficient island. In addition to local issues, the present and projected needs of through-traffic must be

addressed.

The current shortfalls in local, state and federal tax revenues impose strict constraints on any near-term solutions that can be implemented. These constraints are real and may force the acceptance of less than the ideal transportation infrastructure approaches proposed by the council in their January 6 letter which appeared in the News Review. By continuing to press exclusively for these, Greenbelt’s actions may delay or prevent the state and federal government doing anything to address this area’s expanding transportation needs.

In summary, let’s work together to assure that Greenbelt, its residents and businesses prosper in the years ahead. This will in turn give us a tax base which supports our excellent city government and helps to maintain our green space.

William E. Hatch

THANKS!

Thanks to our neighbors who are devoting so much time, effort and expertise to GHI’s ongoing upgrade pilot program.

They epitomize community and cooperative membership. We are looking forward to learning more about their work at the GHI open town hall meeting on Sunday, January 23.

Gwen Turnbull

Upcoming Events At New Deal Café

Exhibiting artists at the Café through February 28 are photographer Nicholas Condon with his “Walking Through Greenbelt;” etchings, mixed media drawings and paintings by New Deal pianist John Guernsey; and jewelry by Nancy DePatchett.

On Thursday, January 20 from noon to 2 p.m. pianist Amy C. Kraft plays mid-day melodies. The weekly open microphone session for music, poetry, prose and storytelling is from 7 to 9 p.m.

On Friday, January 21 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. pianist John Guernsey plays lively jazz and blues notes (every Friday and Saturday). From 8 to 11 p.m. the Badger Band, featuring members of the Jello Boys, provides the final performance in the Three Friday Grateful Dead celebration, with addition Dylan covers original music and some “jamming.”

On Saturday, January 22 classical guitarist Bruce Kritt plays from 4 to 6 p.m. From 8 to 11 p.m. Wammie-nominated group Kiva brings percussive acoustic world music to the Café.

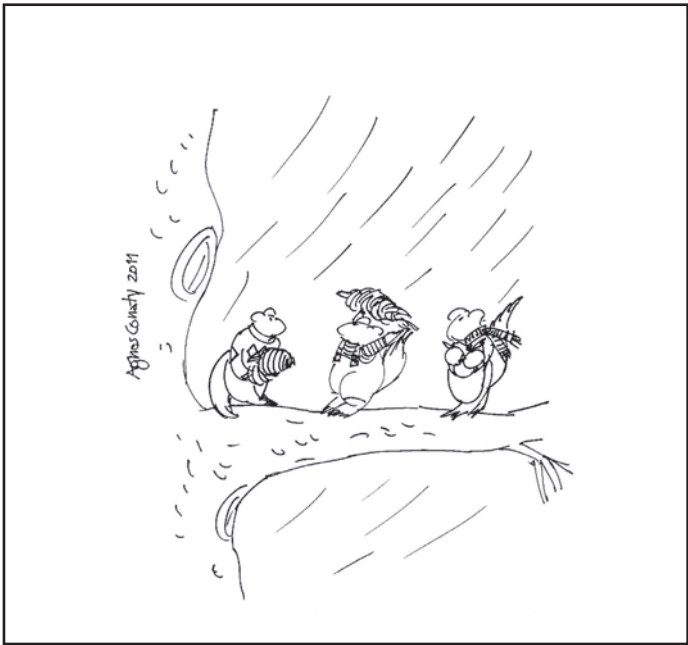
Sunday, January 23 the Sign Language Brunch Discussion group meets in the Café front room from 10:30 to noon, while Jim Stimson plays Renaissance lute in the back room from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. From 5 to 8 p.m. the Cypress Trio will play Southwestern Louisiana two-steps and waltzes.

Next Week

On Tuesday, January 25 wandering minstrel Steve Haugh performs folk music. On Wednesday, January 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. is the Cajun Music Jam where the public is invited to bring their instruments or dancing shoes. Thursday, January 27 is the monthly open microphone session from 7 to 9 p.m. On Friday, January 28 Gael in the Harbor entertains with Celtic and American folk tunes from 8 to 11 p.m. Saturday, January 29 Djesben, a trio of multi-instrumentalists, will play jazz standards, be-bop, bossa nova and original tunes from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday, January 30 Banjer Dan will play Americana, rooted in bluegrass and branching into many musical genres from 5 to 8 p.m.

For details call 301-474-5642 or visit www.newdealcafe.com.

Grin Belt



"Ah-ah. I am not sharing my phone number with any social network."

Arboretum Offers Asian Stones Exhibit

The U.S. National Arboretum will offer a new viewing stone exhibit, “The Year of the Rabbit” from January 29 to March 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. How many rabbits are among the viewing stones? This free special exhibit of stones from the permanent collection celebrates the Lunar New Year, the transition from winter to spring that Asian cultures traditionally considered the beginning of a new year.

School Board Offers Open Budget Hearing

The Prince George’s County Board of Education will host a Budget Public Hearing to provide the public with an opportunity to share their input on the Fiscal Year 2012 Operating Budget on Wednesday, January 26 at 7 p.m.

The hearing will take place in the Board Room of the Sasscer Building, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro.

Omission

In the page six photo on December 30 accompanying the News Review history reprint from Patch.com we used historic Library of Congress photos including one of an unknown typist for the Cooperator (the News Review’s “old” name). Sharp eyes and sharper memories have identified the typist as Peg Winegarten or Winegarten of Gardenway. Our thanks to Barbara Simon’s sister, who was visiting her during the holidays and was able to identify the busy, hard-working typist of yore.



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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.



Reminder to GHI Members
ATTEND
the
Town Hall Meeting
THIS SUNDAY
January 23 - 2 p.m.
Greenbelt Community Center Gymnasium

Hear All About the Proposed
Energy Upgrade Pilot Program
(Discussion/Questions/Answers)

Win one of four \$50 cash door prizes to be given.
Must be present to win.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF JAN 21 The King's Speech

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Friday

*5, 7:30, 9:45

Saturday

*2:30, *5, 7:30, 9:45

Sunday

*2:30, *5, 7:30

Monday - Thursday

*5, 7:30

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Community Events

At the Library

Adult

Monday, January 24, 7 p.m.
A tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blueprint for Justice, the global impact of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., presented by Washington historian C. R. Gibbs.

Storytimes

*Wednesday, January 26, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 children.
*Thursday, January 27, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 18 to 36 months, limit 15 children.
*Pick up free ticket for the Storytime events at the Information Desk.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition “Food and Friendship” program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.
All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for January 24 to 28:

Monday – Apple juice, sliced roast beef with gravy, winter mixed vegetables, baked potato with sour cream, fresh tangerine.
Tuesday – Vegetable soup, barbecued pork on a multigrain bun, lima beans, okra and tomatoes, diced pears.
Wednesday – Grape juice, turkey divan, honey-glazed carrots, mashed potatoes, orange sherbet.
Thursday – Creamy broccoli soup, veal and cheese patty, seasoned spaghetti, Caesar salad, sugar-free cookies.
Friday – Orange juice, baked ziti with meat sauce, mixed squash, tossed salad, cinnamon applesauce.

GHI Notes

Thursday, January 20, 7 p.m., Finance Committee Board Meeting – Board Room
Friday, January 21 – Offices Closed (Note: Members needing emergency service during closings can call maintenance at 301-474-6011.)
Saturday, January 22, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room
Sunday, January 23, 2 to 4 p.m., Energy Pilot Town Hall Meeting – Greenbelt Community Center
Monday, January 24, 7 p.m., Communicator Task Force – GHI Lobby

7 p.m., Bylaws Task Force – Board Room
Tuesday, January 25, 8:30 a.m., Ad-Hoc Yard Line Committee – GHI Library
Wednesday, January 26, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee – Board Room
7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee – GHI Lobby
Thursday, January 27, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors – Board Room
Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

ACE Science Clubs Meet Next Week

The next Greenbelt Children’s ACE Science Club meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 26 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Center and at the same time on Thursday, January 27 at the Greenbelt Community Center. Free to all Greenbelt children ages 8 to 14, the ACE Science Club features hands-on experiments and fun facts about science, technology, engineering, math, nature, life and the universe. The club has been known to blow things up, demonstrating the explosive potential of chemistry and physics. Come enjoy science experiments, explorations and magic tricks.

The clubs meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month at Greenbriar and the fourth Thursday at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Co-op Food Demo Features Granola

The next monthly Seasonal & Savory demonstration at the Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy will be Wednesday, January 26. Held from 4 to 6 p.m., it will feature stove-top apple granola crumble with a wine tasting to complement this dessert item. The event is free and open to the public.
Patron Appreciation Day is also held on Wednesday, January 26 with five percent savings on all purchases except gift cards and stamps.

Café Cajun Jam On Wednesday

On Wednesday, January 26 there will be a free Cajun Jam at the New Deal Café from 7 to 9:30 p.m. for dancers, musicians and listeners. Beginners are welcome.
For more information call 301-434-5642 or email swopes123@aol.com.

COG Members Attend Museum Film, Tour

Megan Searing Young, director and education/volunteer coordinator of the Greenbelt Museum, and member Sheila Massay-Tuthill participated in a meeting of the Chief Administrative Officers subcommittee for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) on December 1. The museum’s new orientation film was screened and a short presentation was given, followed by a driving tour of historic Greenbelt, including a stop at the museum house.

Hunting Ridge Board Meets Wednesday

The Board of Directors of Hunting Ridge Condominiums will meet on Wednesday, January 26 at 7:30 p.m.

Exploring Nutrition

Explorations Unlimited will host a presentation by Holistic Health Coach and Nutritional Consultant Kim Rush Lynch on Friday, January 28. Lynch will address ways in which people can boost their energy levels through food. Lynch will discuss whole foods and some of the “superfoods” that increase vitality as people age. She will also address foods that deplete energy. There will also be an opportunity for participants to ask questions about meal planning and other nutrition topics.

Lynch is a health coach, food educator and the owner of Cultivating Health. She is a Certified Nutritional Consultant through the American Association of Nutritional Consultants and received certification in Holistic Health Counseling through the Institute for Integrative Nutrition. She has an interactive and supportive approach that helps clients find joy and healing through mindful eating practices, play and other forms of nourishment. She has a deep appreciation for local, seasonal foods, nutrient-dense farming practices and food energetics.
Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom, Room 114. All are welcome and questions are encouraged.
For more information call 301-397-2208.

Kelly Is Speaker At ASG Club

The January meeting of the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will be held on Thursday, January 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the H.B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Road in Lanham, across the street from Goddard Space Flight Center. There will be a presentation by Bernard J. Kelly, who is currently a post doctoral fellow in the Astrophysics Science Division at the Goddard Spaceflight Center.
Dr. Kelly received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from University College, Dublin, Ireland, and his doctorate from Penn State. His current research is in Numerical Relativity, the use of large computers to build solutions of Einstein’s equations of general relativity for astrophysical scenarios that are too complex for direct analytical work.
All are welcome; there is no fee for admission.

Governor’s Wellmobile In Greenbelt Monday

The Governor’s Wellmobile will be at the Franklin Park Leasing Office parking lot, 6220 Springhill Drive on Monday, January 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
The Wellmobile provides free healthcare for the uninsured. Nurse practitioners see patients and take care of their medical problems and social workers provide linkages and referrals to needed services.
Sick visits include full physical exams, including blood pressure and vision, female exams and pap smears and men’s exams, also school and sports physicals.
For an appointment call 1-866-228-9668.

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Children: \$6.00
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Week of JAN 21

FRI. – SAT.
Yogi Bear, PG
11:45, 2, 4:15
Gulliver’s Travels, PG
6:30, 8:40, 10:40
Season of the Witch, PG-13
11:40, 2:10, 4:50, 7:35, 10:30
Green Hornet, 3D, PG-13 (!)
No 3D fees at our location
11:15, 2, 4:50, 7:35, 10:20
No Strings Attached, R
11:30, 2:10, 4:40, 7:25, 10:30
Heart Specialist, R (!)
11:30, 2, 4:30, 7:15, 10
The Dilemma, PG-13 (!)
11:15, 1:50, 4:40, 7:25, 10:15
Little Fockers, PG-13
11:30, 2, 4:30, 7:15, 10
True Grit, PG-13
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SUNDAY
Yogi Bear, PG
11:45, 2, 4:15
Gulliver’s Travels, PG
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Season of the Witch, PG-13
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Green Hornet, 3D, PG-13 (!)
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NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING

Thursday, January 27th, 2011
GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Exception Request for Unpermitted Oversized Shed – 16T Ridge Road
- Review of RFP for Solar Photovoltaic Energy System (PVES)
- Social Media Policy
- Recommendation on Communicator in the News Review
- Hoarding Policy Revisions
- Approve of New Charges for Fee-for-Service and Lockouts
- Contract for GHI Website Redesign – 2nd Reading
- Purchase of Two Vans for Maintenance Department, 2nd Reading

Regular Board meetings are open to Members
For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop

OPENING THIS WEEKEND AT THE GREENBELT ARTS CENTER!

Doubt: A Parable

January 21 - February 12
Fridays & Saturdays at 8:00
Sunday, Jan 30 and Feb 6 at 2:30

Q&A sessions after the Jan 28 and Feb 6 performances
Sign-Interpreted performance January 29

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More Community Events
see pages 2 and 12.

Obituaries

Margaret Morin

Margaret “Peggy” Morin died on Saturday, January 15, 2011, one day after her 70th birthday.

Peggy Grant was born to Harry “Gus” and Margaret Grant on January 14, 1941, and raised in Greenbelt – first on Southway and then in 19 Court of Ridge Road. She attended High Point High School.

In 1961 she married Bill Morin. They settled in Greenbelt, having homes on Plateau Place and Westway and in Lakewood.

Mrs. Morin worked in the banking industry first at Twin Pines and later for Community Savings and Loan as a customer service representative. She retired from Washington Federal Credit Union in January 2009. She enjoyed needlepoint and was an avid Redskins and Maryland basketball fan. She was a member of Greenbelt Baptist Church.

After divorcing, Mrs. Morin continued to live in Greenbelt, eventually purchasing a home on Eastway. In late 2009 she moved from her Eastway home to Indiana to be closer to her daughter Julia.

She is survived by her children Andrew (Eleanor) Morin of Pennsylvania, Sharon (Shawn) Townsend of Greenbelt and Julia (Darrin) Viera of Indiana; her brother James Grant of Pennsylvania; and grandchildren James and Ryan Morin and Kevin, Daniel and John Townsend.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to the American Heart Association.



School Board Holds Budget Session

On Tuesday, January 25 at 6 p.m. the Prince George’s County Board of Education will host a Budget Worksession as part of the development process of the Fiscal Year 2012 Operating Budget. The meeting will be held in the Board Room of the Sasscer Administration Building, 14201 School Lane in Upper Marlboro.

Schoenberg Concert At National Gallery

The National Gallery of Art will offer a free concert by the Verge Ensemble on Sunday, January 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the East Building Auditorium. Led by artistic director Steve Antosca, the ensemble will perform music by Schoenberg.



Catholic
Community
of Greenbelt

SUNDAY MASS, 10:00 AM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING

SERVE BREAKFAST
AT S.O.M.E.

Sunday, January 30
Meet at St. Hugh's School
Parking Lot, 6:00 AM

Scholarship Contest At Legion Post 136

by Carol Griffith

On January 8, for the first time in six years, American Legion Post 136 in Greenbelt held the Legion Oratorical Contest which awards scholarship money to winning high school students.

Two high school sophomores were recruited for the contest from the Legion’s website. The two contestants, one male and one female, were from Poolesville and Annapolis. Another contestant from Greenbelt was ill and unable to participate.

The contestants were required to present an 8 to 10 minute prepared oration on some aspect of the U.S. Constitution and then speak for up to five minutes on one of four topics chosen by a Legion official. This year’s topics were four of the Amendments to the Constitution.

Four judges were recruited from outside the Legion. They were Councilmember Leta Mach, Mayor Pro Tem Emmett Jordan, Lynne Chandler and this reporter, Carol Griffith. Both contestants gave excellent orations and were nearly tied in the number of points accrued for their two speeches. Post 136 generously awarded both the full amount of the scholarship money available at the Post level.

The contest is an annual Legion event but in recent years the Legion’s 16 Prince George’s County Posts have had difficulty recruiting contestants from county schools.



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CASA Outreach during Mentoring Month

January is National Mentoring Month. The national media campaign is aimed at increasing awareness of the need for mentors. The local Court Appointed Special Advocates/Prince George’s County (CASA), which trains ordinary people to advocate on behalf of abused and neglected children, with its “All Hands on Deck” campaign.

In addition to training 20 new volunteers in January, CASA participated in Fox 5’s Mentoring Monday and will attend the 2011 National Mentoring Summit on January 25 at the Library of Congress.

CASA Executive Director Ann Marie Binsner says their goal is to educate volunteers on the powerful, positive impact that mentors can have in a child’s life and guide them in their role as advocates when making recommendations for the children they serve. Volunteers spend 10 to 15 hours each month getting to know the children and the circumstances that brought them into care and play a critical role in helping identify appropriate services and additional support for them.

Visit www.speakforthechildren.org or call 301-209-0491 for details.

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Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe
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Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of longtime resident Margaret “Peggy” Morin, who died on January 15, 2011.

Our sympathy to Karen and Mary Alyce Yoho on the death of mother and grandmother Martha S. Yoho on January 14, 2011.

Congratulations to:

- Ridge Road resident Brooke Kenny on the publication of her first novel, “Echoes of Her,” the story of a suburban cul-de-sac where a stranger moves in and shakes things up. Published by All Things That Matter Press, the book can be purchased at Amazon.
- Mary McGee and Wilson Sosa, on the arrival of Gabriela Cecilia Sosa, born on December 23, 2010, weighing in at 7 lb., 8 oz. Gaby is also welcomed by sister Juliana, brothers Victor and Donovan and is the 11th grandchild for Diane and Tim Grady of Greenbriar.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. We’d especially like to hear more from our neighbors in Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West (Franklin Park). To send information for “Our Neighbors” email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

School Board Holds Open Meeting

The Prince George’s County School Board will meet on Thursday, January 20 at 7:05 p.m. in a session open to the public. The meeting will take place in the Sasscer Administration Building Board Room at 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro. The meeting will focus on student achievement. Interested persons may speak for three minutes by registering with the board office by 11 a.m. the day of the meeting.

CPAE Arts Drop-in Programs for Kids

The College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) will hold a free monthly Arts Drop-in for children ages 3 to 8 on Saturday, January 22 from 10 a.m. to noon at the College Park Community Center.

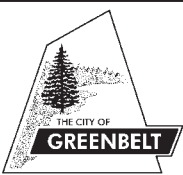
On Sunday, January 30 from 2 to 4 p.m., there will be an arts drop-in program led by Arts Specialist Aaron Springer at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road.

For more information call 301-927-3013 or email info@cpae.org.

Patuxent Comm.Center Showcases Programs

For those who want to get in top physical condition but don’t know how there will be a free PXCC Class Showcase on Saturday, January 22 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Patuxent Community Center, 4410 Bishopmill Drive in Upper Marlboro.

Learn about fun, exciting ways to get physically fit by taking a Zumba class, hooping it up in the hoop-aerobics class, seeing Master Jackson demonstrations, watching club style line-dance demos and talking to state certified teachers about academic enrichment classes. There will also be blood pressure screenings, rock-climbing wall, face-painters, giveaways and more.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 24, 2011 - 8:00 p.m.
Municipal Building

COMMUNICATIONS
Presentations

- Oath of Office for New Police Officer

Petitions and Requests (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

- * **Minutes of Council Meetings**

Administrative Reports

- * **Committee Reports**
 - **75th Anniversary Committee, Report #1-11**
 - **Advisory Planning Board, Report #1-11 (Baltimore Washington Partnership for Forest Stewardship)**

LEGISLATION-none
OTHER BUSINESS

- Advisory Committee on Education, Report #1-11 (2011 Grant Proposals)
- Crescent Road Right of Way Vacation
- Other Reports

- * - Reappointment to Advisory Groups
- * - Resignations from Advisory Groups

MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

GREENBELT CARES WINTER WORKSHOPS IN LIFE SKILLS

Register for one or all of the following by calling 301-345-6660.

- January 24-Fighting the Winter Blues
- January 31-Setting and Keeping Personal Goals
- February 7-Living Alone and Liking it
- February 28-Learning to be Assertive
- March 7, Living Well Through Mid-Life Changes

Workshops will be held from 5-6:30pm at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

**Greenbelt CityLink: www.greenbeltmd.gov**
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OPENINGS ON SENIOR TRIPS

The Greenbelt Senior Center still has openings for all of the new 2011 trips listed below. Please spread the word to anyone you know who may enjoy any of these trips. The more the merrier.

HAGERSTOWN ART MUSEUM AND OUTLETS: 2/3, 9am-5pm. R: \$25, NR: \$35

“SEND ME NO FLOWERS”@ Rainbow Dinner Theater, (all comedy dinner theater) 3/10, 9am–6pm. R: \$65, NR: \$77

PORTRAITS OF IRELAND (Irish Dancers) @ Frederick, MD, 3/12, 9:45 am-4:30pm. R: \$45, NR: \$57

“BEHIVE”@ Toby’s Dinner Theater Baltimore, 2/24, 9:30am–4pm. R: \$60, NR: \$72

“WICKED”@ Kennedy Center, 6/16, 12pm-5pm. R: \$90, NR: \$102

All the above trips are now open to anyone 18 and over.

SHOPPING TRIPS:

Annapolis Mall: Th. 2/10, 9:30am-3:00pm, R: \$3, NR: \$4

WalMart/ \$1 Store: Th. 3/3, 9:30am-3:00pm, R: \$3, NR: \$4

If you are interested in any of the trips above please register as soon as possible at the Greenbelt Community Center. More information on these events can be obtained through the City of Greenbelt, MD Recreation Winter 2011 brochure which can be picked up at Community Center office, or you can call (301) 397-2208 or check out our website **WWW.GREENBELTMD.GOV/RECREATION**

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Public Works Yard

City residents can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items. Bring your items to the collection bins located at Greenbelt Public Works, 555 Crescent Road.

Accepted items include: TVs, CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptop computers, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, fax machines, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, alkaline batteries taped on one end. New! Expanded Polystyrene (block “Styrofoam” #6).

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE FOR DROP-OFF OF MORE THAN 10 ITEMS OR ITEMS OVER 50 LBS. PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE.

MEETINGS FOR JANUARY 24-28

Monday, January 24th at 8pm, **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**, at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Tuesday, January 25 at 7:30 pm, **Green ACES** (Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000 or contact the City Clerk at cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. Vacancies exist on: Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Board of Appeals, Forest Preserve Advisory Board

For information call 301-474-8000.

DONATION DROP-OFF

American Rescue Workers

Saturday, January 22, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

Parking lot between City Office and the Community Center

City of Greenbelt Recycling Office: 301-474-8308.

GREENBELT ANIMAL SHELTER
550-A Crescent Road
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The shelter is open on Wednesdays from 4-7pm, Saturdays from 9am-12pm or by appointment INFO: 301.474.6124 Make a donation in the name of a friend! Visit the Greenbelt Animal Shelter on Facebook!

GAIL PROGRAM NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

The GAIL Program will be celebrating 10 years in 2011. In order to continue to provide Greenbelt residents with aging services that meet their needs the GAIL Program is currently conducting a needs assessment. Please take a few moments to participate. If you have received a paper copy in the mail please do not complete the online survey.

Your participation is greatly appreciated.

The deadline to complete the assessment is January 31, 2011. Access the survey at www.greenbeltmd.gov/seniors

WSSC to Hold Budget Hearing in Largo

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) will hold two public hearings on its proposed Fiscal Year 2012 budget. The Prince George’s County hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 308 at the RMS Building, 1400 McCormick Drive in Largo. The Montgomery County hearing is the following day in Rockville. In case of inclement weather, both hearings will be held on Wednesday, February 9 at 7:30 p.m. at WSSC Laurel headquarters.

Those wishing to speak at the hearings should call the WSSC Budget Group at 301-206-8110 in advance to be placed on the speaker’s list. ADA accommodations for the hearing-impaired are available; to arrange, call 301-206-8700 at least one week prior to the hearing date. Written comments may be made and must be received before February 15; they can either be emailed to scohen@wsscwater.com or mailed to: Ms. Sheila S. Cohen, Budget Group Leader, WSSC, 14501 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, MD 20707.

After public comment the proposed budget will be transmitted to the Prince George’s and Montgomery county councils and county executives by March 1. Copies of the preliminary proposed budget are available online at www.wsscwater.com/budget/ or by calling 301-206-8100 or visiting Room 1063 at WSSC’s office at 14501 Sweitzer Lane in Laurel.

Winter Bird Walk Held at Refuge

The National Wildlife Visitor Center at the Patuxent Research Refuge will hold a Winter Bird Walk on Wednesday, January 26 from 8 to 10 a.m. for people age 16 and older. Participants will search for wintering birds on the refuge. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

The Visitor Center is located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197. The program is free, although donations to the Friends of Patuxent are appreciated. Advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887; special needs can be accommodated with advance notice. For more information visit the website at patuxent.fws.gov.

Black History Event: Winter on Plantation

A Black History Hands-On Program: Winter on the Plantation will be held on Saturday, January 29 from 1 to 3 p.m. (no snow date). This program will be held at the Montpelier Mansion, 9650 Muirkirk Road (Muirkirk Road and Route 197) in Laurel.

Through hands-on activities, experience the winter chores and pastimes of Montpelier’s enslaved residents. Activities include games to improve hunting skills, preserving foods, weaving, sewing, candle making (weather permitting) and more.

There is a nominal fee for this program, which is suitable for all ages. Reservations are required. To RSVP call 301 377-7817; TTY 301-699-2544.

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in any case.

Staff conditions relating to private recreational facilities, bike-ways, tree canopy and potential limits to development based on peak-hour trips generated might require amendment to the CSP based upon adequacy of transportation facilities.

Following the staff report, Planning Board Chair Parker expressed concern that the proposed CSP does not adequately address the larger context of linkages to the entire shopping center. The staff report focuses on the proposed development’s relationship to Franklin Park but not to the existing shopping center or to any proposed Metro development. Parker felt too much was going on that had not been taken into consideration and called on Taub for the applicant’s presentation.

He claimed the proposed development would be “compatible with the existing center” but must await the hiring of a developer.”

Taub then described how the concept for the overall redevelopment of the shopping center had been put together in 2006 but then “headed south” with the downward turn in the economy. He noted the plan had envisioned 1,400 residential units but met with city resistance because the area could not accommodate that many (rental) units.

As years went by, Beltway Plaza officials began to look at the “sea of asphalt” at the rear of the shopping center. They felt if any redevelopment were feasible, it would be there. They had by then modified the mix of units, reducing the number of rental units in response to city requests.

Piecemeal Development

According to Taub, the parting of the ways began when the city said there should be no piecemeal development but, instead, an overall comprehensive plan for the mall. In Beltway Plaza’s view, the economics were not amenable to that.

Taub then displayed views of the existing property, including a “Black Friday” photo of an entirely empty rear parking lot on the day considered the heaviest shopping day of the year. He then focused on the development proposal envisioned by the CSP, its orientation to Franklin Park and its pedestrian, bicycle and transit linkages to the new development. He assured listeners that the development would engender a “sense of community” or a “sense of place.”

Again Taub was greeted with skepticism from Parker. He felt the CSP did not show how the

proposed development would relate to the entire shopping center. “A better place doesn’t work for me,” he said. Parker noted he uses the existing center and has been frustrated with the lack of urban design and a “sense of place” for the overall center.

Fred Wine then provided background on the existing shopping center, including several large tenants with long-term leases. He also described recent and on-going improvements. In today’s market he said Beltway Plaza could not take action on an overall comprehensive plan but planned to upgrade the façade fronting on Greenbelt Road. “Current tenants are concerned that the upgrade will lead to increased rents,” he said.

Wine described good connectivity between the proposed Greenbelt Place and the existing center. He introduced several Beltway Plaza tenants who spoke in favor of the CSP for the rear parking lot, which they saw as enhancing the overall center.

Planning Board Vice-Chairman Sylvester Vaughns then expressed support for the plan.

City Position

Representing Greenbelt and making the main argument against the rezoning proposal and the CSP was attorney Dan Lynch. He said rezoning of the Beltway Plaza property could be approved only if the proposed zoning meets the objectives of the DDOZ and the Sector Plan. That specifies requirements for various “corridors” in that the plan and the Greenbelt Road and Beltway Plaza corridor specifically calls for commercial and retail uses and does not contemplate residential uses.

He argued that Beltway Plaza should have requested an amendment to the Sector Plan and a change to the listed table of uses in the county’s zoning ordinance that sets out allowable uses in the M-U-I zone. Lynch said if the applicant resubmitted the Request for Rezoning with the amendments he described, the Planning Board would be able to consider it.

In response to a question from the chairman, Zhang defended the Technical Staff’s recommendation for the rezoning, explaining that the M-U-I zone had not been envisioned at the time of approval of the Sector Plan (2001). Staff had determined that the District Council’s approval of the then Springhill Lake property from the R-18 zone to the M-U-I zone in 2005 had amounted to an official amendment to the 2001 approved Sector Plan.

In later testimony, Celia Craze, the city’s director of Planning and Community Development, added to Lynch’s argument by noting that the 2005 rezoning of the Springhill Lake property had been supported because the entire property was considered a transit village, which supported the zoning change. In the Beltway Plaza case, she opposed piecemeal zoning of the shopping center.

City Response

Mayor Davis and Councilmember Roberts also spoke on behalf of the City of Greenbelt. Roberts focused on the piecemeal approach of Beltway Plaza and his estimation that Franklin Park has nearly 500 vacant units. Davis submitted prepared remarks for the record, noting:

1. This was not a fully integrated plan for the entire property, which council has requested for some time. If this plan goes forward, an opportunity will be lost to fully rehabilitate the entire Beltway Plaza.

2. The proposed plan is not in accord with the Approved Sector Plan.

3. What is proposed is not truly an integrated mixed use.

4. The plan did not achieve a level of specificity to make council comfortable (especially regarding details about recreation, amount of open space, pedestrian connectivity, unit mix, location of buildings and number of stories).

Last to testify was attorney Christopher Hatcher, of the firm of Rifkin, Livingston, Levitan and Silver, LLC, representing both Metroland Developers and Franklin Park owners. Franklin Park’s position is not opposed to

the development but is concerned with pedestrian connections and traffic issues. Metroland also is not opposed, he said, but noted that traffic control improvements may be required by the development with a mutual division of costs for such improvements.

The Vote

With all of the testimony completed about 9 p.m. and after a very long day for the Planning Board, witnesses and observers, board members made their respective decisions. Parker noted he agreed with a statement made by Craze, that, “the plan is good, but incomplete.” He felt the piecemeal approach should not be approved. He was supported by Cavitt.

Vaughn supported the proposed development and would rely on the next phase of approvals at the detailed site plan stage to fine-tune and improve it. He wanted to see something started.

Vaughns moved to recommend approval of the rezoning and the CSP to the District Council. Clark seconded the motion. The vote was a two-to-two tie.

In nearly every other advisory or legislative body a motion that fails to gain a majority is deemed failed. However, the Planning Board’s Legal Counsel advised that according to board rules, a tie vote results in the considered proposal being sent to the District Council.

It is likely that city opposition to the CSP and the rezoning will continue at the District Council level. The newly-elected Prince George’s Council meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month as the District Council for zoning matters.

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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robberies

January 11, 2:49 p.m., 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, a man was approached by several females who assaulted him and rummaged through his pockets.

January 12, 5:18 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Drive, a person was approached by a man who displayed a handgun and demanded the person's property. The suspect is described as a black male, 5'8" to 5'9", wearing a mask, black puffy coat and dark colored pants.

DWI Arrests

There were two DWI arrests of nonresidents on January 9, at Cherrywood Lane at Ivy Lane and at Greenbelt Road at 62nd Avenue.

January 11, 12:47 a.m., Greenbelt Road at 63rd Avenue, a resident man was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impaired by alcohol and other charges after a traffic stop. He was released on citations pending trial.

Vandalism

January 11, 4:02 p.m., 30 Court Ridge Road, graffiti was found on a sign.

Burglaries

January 7, 11:31 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, a DVD player and jewelry were reported taken.

January 7, 4:09 p.m., 11 Court Laurel Hill Road, prescription medications were reported taken.

January 9, 4:46 p.m., 5900 block Springhill Drive, it was reported that a laptop and a game system were taken.

January 12, 4:49 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, it is unknown what items were taken.

Vehicle Crimes

A gray 1998 Mazda Protégé with D.C. tags was reported stolen from the 200 block of Lakeside Drive.

Two vehicles were recovered with no arrests made. A third vehicle was recovered in the 5700 block of Greenbelt Metro Drive. Two nonresident men were arrested and charged with motor vehicle theft and theft under

Spike in Shootings Addressed by Police

According to Greenbelt Police Chief James Craze, Prince George's County Police Chief Mark Magaw held a county-wide phone conference with area police chiefs on Monday, January 10 to discuss the recent spike in shootings around the county.

During the meeting Magaw outlined plans to re-deploy resources to investigate the crimes and to form an alliance with various agencies in recruiting a task force to address the issue.

The Greenbelt Police Department is coordinating its own response to the five shootings in this city since mid-December, including a poster offering a reward of up to \$1,000 in the shooting incidents. The poster is being sent to business owners and city staff to distribute to the community.

"While there is no indication that the shootings in the county are in any way related to ours, they are similar in nature in that most are not random and have a drug-related nexus," said Craze.

\$10,000. Both men were released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Vandalism to vehicles was reported in the following areas: 6100 block Breezewood Drive (broken window), 8100 block Lakecrest Drive (two incidents – broken windows), 6100 block Breezewood Court (broken window), 7900 block Lakecrest Drive (broken window), 5800 block Cherrywood Lane (three incidents – damaged windows), 6100 block Breezewood Drive (two incidents – damaged windows) and 9100 block Edmonston Road (spray painted car).

Thefts from vehicles were reported at 9100 block Edmonston Court (stereo receiver), 8100 block Lakecrest Drive (GPS), 6100 block Breezewood Court (Maryland tags) and Beltway Plaza (rear Maryland tag).

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522.

Annual Bridal Show Held at White Mansion


The Newton White Mansion Annual Bridal Show will be held on Sunday, January 30 from 1 to 4 p.m.

This one-day event allows participants to plan their wedding from start to finish by meeting with caterers, photographers, bakers and more. It gives attendees an opportunity to experience ev-


ery aspect of planning a wedding and meeting with some of the top vendors in the area.

There is a nominal fee for admission. The Newton White Mansion is at 2708 Enterprise Road in Mitchellville.

For more information call 301-249-2004; TTY 301-446-6802.



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Police Investigate Four Shootings

The Greenbelt Police Department is investigating four shooting incidents that occurred at the following locations on the listed dates and times:

- 12/22/2010 at 5:30 p.m. - Edmonston Terrace at Edmonston Court
Victim was shot while sitting in a vehicle.
- 12/28/2010 at 12:30 a.m. - Crescent Road near Greenhill Road
Victim was shot by two Hispanic males while walking on Crescent Rd.
- 12/28/2010 at 11:35 p.m. - Bus Stop in the 5500 block of Cherrywood Lane
Victim was shot by three black males while sitting at the bus stop.
- 1/12/2011 at 7:20 p.m. - 5900 block of Cherrywood Lane.
Victim was shot by two black males in his apartment.

Anyone with any information that could assist investigators in these cases is asked to call the Greenbelt Police Department's Criminal Investigations Unit at 240-542-2133. Callers wishing to remain anonymous may call Prince George's County Crime Solvers tip line at 1-866-411-TIPS (8477) OR text "PGPD plus your tip" to CRIMES (274637) from your cell phone. Anonymous tips may also be submitted online at www.crimesolverspg.com.

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Co-op Grocery Now Has Restroom Available on the First Floor

by Suzanne Krofchik

Have you heard? The Co-op Supermarket now has a first floor bathroom. Well, not a full bathroom but it has the "necessary."

This writer is not privy to all the details that brought this matter to a head but the need for a first floor bathroom has been brought up and discussed at many a Co-op annual meeting. Both before and since current store manager Bob Davis came to the Co-op in 1984, shoppers have asked for relief.

Over the years many locations were considered but lack of space always managed to stop up the works . . . something had to go in order to put in a restroom. "We have a small footprint," Davis said, "and had to find where we could best afford to give space away."

When plans were made to renovate the Co-op this year, it was do or die. Shoppers had waited years, some nearly a lifetime. "If we were ever going to do it, now was the time," while other modifications to the store were being made, Davis said. The "warm beer room" was selected as the site. This non-refrigerated room was used for storing beer and health and beauty products.

Where Is It?

When you are ready to take the plunge, head to the back of the store to the area between frozen specialties and bread. Go through the doorway that is flush with the back wall. The "Family



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Suzanne Krofchik shows off the new first floor restroom at the Co-op Supermarket.

and Handicap Restroom" is immediately to the left.

You will find a large, bright room fit for a king or queen. In fact, you might feel as if you really are sitting on a throne, since it is a high seat with plenty of space on each side and in front of it.

The restroom is kept locked for security purposes. To use it, either go to the office to borrow the key or ask any nearby manager for access.

The cost for engineering, materials and construction was approximately \$30,000.

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PHOTO BY DAVID MORAN

Pictured on front row from left to right: Susan Barnett, Mayor Judith Davis, Springhill Lake Recreation Coordinators Brian Butler and Kayode Lewis, Springhill Lake Recreation Department Staffer Herbert Allen, Donna Hoffmeister and Cam MacQueen. Back Row: Co-acting Director Julie McHale, Greenbelt Recreation Department, Lucy Duff and Councilmember Konrad Herling. Barnett and Hoffmeister are Reel & Meal Committee coordinators. The children are all members of the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club 11 and Under Basketball Team. Back row: Andre Humphrey and Fred Robinson; middle row: Darryn Hylton, Jordan Bates, Antonio Hurt, Isiah Price, Ambe McKinney and Joseph Akuffo. Front row: Kadin Smith, Sheku Kanu, Xavier Dockery and Allen Beauchamp. [The team’s coaches, not shown, are Billy Smith, James McKinney and Wayne Dockery.]

at 7 p.m. at the New Deal Café in the Roosevelt Center with an optional vegan meal served beforehand. Oliver Stone’s South of the Border was shown on January 17.

Donna Hoffmeister is the coordinator for the Reel and Meal Committee.

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the performance of the winner’s choice at the Greenbelt Arts Center. Enter the free drawing at the Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery through 2:30 p.m. on February 6.

Artful Afternoons offer a studio open-house and sale with the Community Center’s artists-in-residence, the Greenbelt Museum “Green from the Beginning” exhibit, plus tours of the Greenbelt Museum historic home.

Artful Afternoon activities are open to the public and free, with the exception of a nominal fee for the house tour. The event is an introduction to the many art classes and activities offered by the city.

For more information about City of Greenbelt arts programs, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call 240-542-2057.

Temporary Solutions for Dental Emergencies



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It is important to have routine dental hygiene care and a dental exam at least every six months. It is also valuable to select a dentist who provides same day emergency dental treatment. When a dental emergency is causing pain or prevents you from going out in public, your dentist should ask, “How soon can you get to our dental office?”

Pain, swelling, broken teeth and a lost crown are the most common dental emergencies. Sometimes dental emergencies happen when you are traveling or when you just can’t get to a dental office. Here are some short term remedies you can try if you are not able to see your dentist immediately.

Tips for a Lost Crown, Veneer or Permanent Bridge – If your crown, veneer or bridge has come loose, the primary short term goal is: **Do NOT swallow or lose it!**

If there is any risk of swallowing or losing your crown, veneer or bridge, keep it out of your mouth, store it in a safe place and make an appointment as soon as possible!

Hint: a clear sandwich bag or medicine vial is much safer than wrapping it in a tissue or paper towel – tissues, napkins and paper towels are often accidentally thrown away or simply disappear.

- Sometimes a patient can re-seat a crown and have it “snap” into place.
- Another temporary solution is to use Vaseline or an FDA approved denture adhesive as a temporary glue. **DO NOT use super glue or any other type of permanent glue to hold your crown, veneer or permanent bridge into place!**

Emergency Care for a Broken Tooth - Does cold air or water cause pain? If so, you should schedule a visit with your dentist as soon as possible. Do not chew with that tooth. If your sensitivity is caused by a cracked tooth, chewing hard objects can make the crack expand. Early treatment can prevent further damage.

What To Do When a Permanent Tooth Is Knocked Out

Gently pick up the tooth by the chewing surface being careful to not touch the root of the tooth. If dirty, gently rinse the tooth in water or milk. Do not use soap and do not scrub the tooth or wrap it in a tissue. Try to reposition the tooth in its socket immediately - do not use excessive force. The sooner the tooth is replaced the greater the likelihood it will survive. If you cannot get the tooth back into its socket, keep it moist either by carrying the tooth in cool milk or in your mouth

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You may also apply a cold compress or even a popsicle to the mouth and gums to decrease pain and bleeding.

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Alight Dance Gives Final Season Performance at the Dance Place

Greenbelt dance company Alight will give its final performance of the season for “Speechless” at Dance Place in Washington, D.C., on Saturday, January 29 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, January 30 at 4 p.m. Alight is owned by choreographer and Greenbelt resident Angella Foster. Speechless premiered at the Kennedy Center in October 2010 and was presented in open rehearsals at the Greenbelt Community Center in November.

Recognition Group

Formed in January 2010 the company is a nonprofit, is a Greenbelt recognition group and regularly rehearses at the Community Center. Alight has a mission to create performance events that use the power of story to inspire people to be compassionate viewer-participants in their communities. Weaving together dance, gesture, text and live music, Speechless explores struggles faced by parents of special needs children with communication issues in caring for and understanding their silent child in a noisy world. Foster’s work is inspired by the experiences of her cousin, Taylor Ann Clark, who relies primarily on nonverbal communication tools to “speak” with her family. Speechless was supported in part by funding from the Prince George’s Arts Council and was part of the Green Man Festival. Foster and Alight also received a 2010 Local Dance Commissioning Project grant from the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts as part of its Performing



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Conceiving of the body as the most articulate storyteller, Alight uses full-bodied physicality as well as subtle gestures to give voice to stories that are concealed, hidden or neglected in day-to-day life.

There is a fee to attend the performance. Dance Place is located at 3225 8th Street Northeast in Washington, D.C., on the Red Line two blocks from the Brookland-Catholic University of America metro station. For more information visit www.alightdance theater.org or call 301-821-1331; for ticket information call 202-269-1600.

PHOTOS BY ENOCH CHAN

Book Club Meets On This Friday

The College Park Arts Exchange Book Club discusses Literary Non-fiction by Women at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road. On Friday, January 21 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. they will discuss Dreaming in Hindi by Katherine Russell Rich. The book is an exploration of how learning a new language can reveal a different culture.

For more information email the College Park Arts Exchange at info@cpae.org or call 301-927-3013.



Freezing rain Monday night coats everything with sparkling beauty but treachery underfoot.



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